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MICK MUELLER: My name is Mick Mueller, I'm a civil engineer and structural engineer. I work for a contractor, I build tunnels. I'm here living in North Ridgeville and I'm installing a fiberoptic cable from Detroit down to Pittsburgh. I came down here because I have an interest in the project. [I had the opportunity to work out at the test site and on the Yucca Mountain project. I was an engineering manager out there and built a portion of the tunnel where some of these tests were made.

I am very familiar with a lot of the work that was done out there. My dad was a nuclear weapon -- in the nuclear weapons for the military. He was involved in testing at the Christmas Island and Johnson Island and testing out at the test site.

I just have a very short comment to make. I believe that the storage of the low level nuclear waste in a geologic setting is the right solution for this country. I realize that it may not be a -- how do I want to say it? I really believe it is the best solution. I believe keeping the material and storing it on site is the same as burying your head in the sand. It's not going to go away and I think the DOE needs to go ahead with the project and get it completed and get it done. [

AUDIENCE MEMBER: How about in your backyard?

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MICK MUELLER: I'll be real honest with you, I may retire and live in Nevada. To be real honest with you, I've lived there for several years, many of my friends retired out there, live out there. [I'm very familiar with the geology at the Yucca Mountain. It is by far the best geology in the entire United States, as far as I know] and I've worked all over the United States in a lot of different areas. And I work in the underground business, I know geology or a little bit about geology, let's put it that way.